

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A lighting system for conducting an electrical current comprising:

a base having at least one aperture;

a low voltage transformer disposed within said base and electrically connected with an AC power source;

a voltage supply contact electrically connected to said low voltage transformer and disposed in said at least one aperture of said base;

at least one vertical support frictionally engaging said base at said at least one aperture, wherein an inner circumference of said at least one vertical support is lined with longitudinal current carrying conductors that engage said voltage supply contact when said at least one vertical support engages said base, and wherein said at least one vertical support has a plurality of apertures around its circumference; and

a plurality of pairs of current carrying rods

that frictionally engage said at least one vertical support at said plurality of apertures and having electrical contacts that contact said longitudinal current carrying conductors;

wherein said system provides a low voltage current through said current carrying rods for the engagement of electrical ornaments.

2. The lighting system according to claim 1, further comprising a plurality of ornaments having resilient clasps, with a pair of separately disposed electrical contacts on both sides of said clasp, for frictionally engaging said current carrying rods and electrically connecting said current carrying rods to said electrical contacts and said ornament.

3. The lighting system according to claim 1, wherein said at least one vertical support has an additional voltage supply contact at a top end for connection to longitudinal current carrying conductors of additional vertical supports.

4. The lighting system according to claim 1, wherein a top end of a highest said at least one vertical support has an aperture for a plug electrically coupled to said

longitudinal current carrying conductors.

5. The lighting system according to claim 2, wherein said plurality of pairs of current carrying rods are each surrounded with insulation.

6. The lighting system according to claim 5, wherein said electrical contacts of said plurality of ornaments pierce said insulation of said plurality of pairs of current carrying rods.

7. The lighting system according to claim 2, further comprising artificial pine needles twisted between said plurality of pairs of current carrying rods.

8. The lighting system according to claim 7, wherein at least one of said artificial pine needles projects into an aperture between said electrical contacts of said ornament when said ornament is in connection with said pair of current carrying rods.

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9. The lighting system according to claim 1, wherein said base is a tree stand.

10. The lighting system according to claim 1, wherein said at least one vertical support is an artificial tree trunk.

11. The lighting system according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of pairs of current carrying rods are artificial tree branches.